

## THE WAY WE WERE

In early summer 1922, a fire destroyed the O'Neil block at Main and Wesleyan Streets in Georgetown. The site had been the home of J.N O'Neill, a carriage maker. O'Neill rebuilt the block after the fire. Today, Dini & Co. and Main Video & Variety are located in the block.

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### NEWS

# HELP US BE MORE REPRESENTATIVE OF COMMUNITIES WE SERVE

## TORSTAR SEEKS TO AMPLIFY VOICES OF THOSE UNDERSERVED IN THE MEDIA #COMMUNITYDIVERSITY

We know that diversity is the strength of our communities.

As your community's source of local news and information, we are committed to amplifying and ele-

vating a more diverse range of voices in our coverage, both by seeking out more Black, Indigenous and other racialized experts, and by covering the issues that matter to people

of colour, members of the LGBTQ+ community and anyone else who has been underrepresented in the media.

To accomplish this goal, we want and need your help. We are reaching out to you in the hope that you will consider sharing your unique and important voice as a member of an underrepresented community in the pages of our print

publications and on the website you are reading now.

We are aware that many items in the news impact our many communities in very different ways, and that these different perspectives need to be heard to better reflect the diversity of our communities.

Our company has adopted the seven recommendations made by Cana-

dian Journalists of Colour (CJOC) and Canadian Association of Black Journalists (CABJ) to improve diversity within our ranks and in the content that we produce.

We recognize that we have a lot of work to do and have committed to several initiatives. We also recognize that to be successful, we need to listen and learn.

If you have ever picked

up one of our publications or visited one of our community news websites and felt your unique voice could have contributed to, or improved our coverage, we want to hear from you.

For more information, please contact our Torstar Community Brands Editorial Diversity and Inclusion Committee at [diversityinclusion@metro-land.com](mailto:diversityinclusion@metro-land.com).



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